

Appl. No. 10/776,839
Docket No. CM2725MQ
Amdt. dated July 19, 2006
Reply to Office Action mailed on June 30, 2006
Customer No. 27752

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REMARKS

Claim Status

Claims 1-17 are pending in the present application. No additional claims fee is believed to be due.

Claims 11-17 are canceled without prejudice.

Response to Requirement for Restriction of Inventions

In the present Office Action, the Office requires, under 35 USC §121, election of a single disclosed invention for prosecution on the merits. More specifically, the Office alleges that the inventions are grouped as follows:

- I. Claims 1-10, drawn to an absorbent core for an absorbent article
- II. Claims 11-17 drawn to a process of providing a storage layer for an absorbent core

The Office states that Group II and I are related as process of making and product made. This reply confirms the election to prosecute the invention designated in the Office Action as Group I, Claims 1-10. This election is made without traverse. Claims drawn to the non-elected invention have been canceled by this amendment.

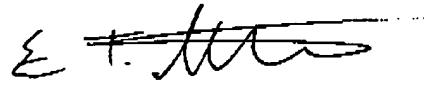
Conclusion

In light of the above remarks, it the Office's rejection is now believed to be moot. Early and favorable action in the case is respectfully requested.

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